



CALVERT COUNTY GOVERNMENT GUIDELINE/POLICY/PROCEDURE

TITLE:	1.4-Cell Phone Use		
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PURPOSE:	To advise personnel of the policy and guidelines regarding the use of mobile devices while on duty.		
APPLICABLE TO:	All Field Clinicians		
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I. Purpose

To advise personnel of the policy and guidelines regarding the use of mobile devices while on duty.

II. Definitions

App- An application downloaded by a user to a mobile device

Mobile Device- A mobile device shall be considered a cellular phone, smart phone, tablet, or any combination thereof.

III. Policy

The on-duty Supervisor will have a County-Owned cell phone. This phone will be exchanged between Supervisors at shift change.

All contact to and from a Supervisor shall be through the County-owned phone.

Mobile devices may not be used while operating a vehicle unless a hands-free Bluetooth device is used.

Mobile devices may not be used (including for texting) while a patient is present. The only exception to this is to complete a Patient Care Report (PCR) on the supplied tablet.

IV. Exemptions

The exception to the policy is the use of mobile devices in the direct performance of patient care such as medical consultations, protocol/medication clarification, and the use of a mobile app for the acquisition of directions to an incident location/destination.